घर आ जा सके। सेवा को पूरी तरह संरक्षण प्रदान किया जा रहा है। सुविधाजनक और प्रदूषण रहित सेवा उपलब्ध करवाने के अलावा इससे पेट्रोलियम के उपभोग में कमी करने का लक्ष्य भी प्राप्त होता है।

Creation of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Unit at Doordarshan Kendra, Delhi

3318. SHRI RAMSINH RATHWA: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received a representation from the General Secretary, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Vichar Manch (Regd.), Delhi dated 13th January, 1990 regarding creation of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Unit at Doordarshan Kendra, Delhi for collection of his Audio-Visuals, holding of exhibitions by DAVP and collection of rare photographs of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar by P.I.B. for displaying them during the Centenary year of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar, if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto; and

(b) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has assured the Manch vide letter No. 19/23/88-IP&MC dated 25th March, 1988 for procurement of recordings of Baba Saheb Dr. B. R. Ambedkar of the Round Table Conferences held in London for archival purposes, if so, the action taken by Government thereon and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA): (a) Yes, Sir. Media units like Doordarshan, AIR, DAVP, PIB etc. have taken up various programmes as part of the Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Centenary Celebrations wherein the request made by the Ambedkar Vichar Manch has been given due consideration.

(b) Yes, Sir. AIR made all efforts to obtain recordings of Dr. B. R. Ambedkar at the Round Table Conference. Indian High Commission in London has informed that there was no sound recording euipment present at the time of the Round Table Conference held in London in 1930 and 1931.

Processing acquisition proposals

3319. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state the reasons for the average period of time taken by the Ministry in processing private sector acquisition proposals and the time taken on an average in processing the acquisition proposals of the Shipping Corporation of India in last 3 years?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI K. P. UNNIKRISHNAN): Acquisition proposals received from private sector companies are considered by the Ship Acquisition Licensing Committee (SALC) which meets normally on second Friday of each month and makes its recommendations to Government. After the recommendations of Ship Acquisition Licensing Committee are approved by the Government, the Government decision is communicated to the company. This procedure normally takes 30 to 60 days. In case of Shipping Corporation of India, acquisition proposal is examined at pre-Public Investment Board (PIB) and Public Investment Board levels. After the recommendations of the Public Investment Board, the proposal is considered by the Government and decision is communicated to Shipping Corporation of India. This procedure takes 6 to 10 months time.

Cases of rape in Punjabi University, Patiala

3220. SHRI RAM NARESH YADAV: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of cases of rape that came to light in the Punjabi University of Patiala during the period March, 1989 till date;